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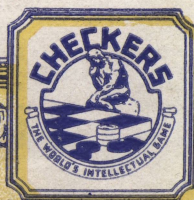
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A. C. A. SECRETARY SENDS MESSAGE TO CHECKER FANS OF AMERICA

* * *
By J. G. F.

Friends of Dama:

The greatest checker classic in the history of the game is now definitely scheduled — the second International Match between America and Great Britain. The match will be played in America and our best checker masters are now burning the midnight oil in preparation for the event. Ten masters have already been selected for our team. Two more must be added. For these two coveted positions we have many strong players from which to select: Bradford, O'Grady, Duffy, Dossett, Townsend, Tanner, Pomerooy, Ketchum, Brown, Waterhouse and Lieber.

The preliminary matches are nearly finished, after which two more men will be voted on the team, and three substitutes added. Then, it is planned to have the 15 selected men vote on the next three strongest players, who can assume the role of challengers.

Our "analytical board" of coaches for the team will consist of: L. S. Head, chief coach, assisted by P. H. Ketchum, L. M. Lewis, and Will H. Tyson. These strategists will examine the play each day during the match, and if anything of note transpires, will impart it to the members of our team. In this capacity, they will be just as important an asset to insure victory as the actual competitors.

David A. Mitchell, chess and checker editor of the Bethlehem (Pa.) Globe, will be the official scorer of the match. M. D. Teetzel will be the official referee, with several assistants to be appointed later.

The International Match Games Book

Another very important matter to consider is the item of printing the Match Games Book. It is hoped to have a surplus fund on hand after the completion of the match, to take care of the printing of the Book. And also we should reimburse two of our leading analysts to the extent that they can give an exhaustive analysis on all games played. If our Pledge Fund warrants it we will give a Free Copy of the Book to each fan or player who contributes \$10 or more to the fund.

We are now starting a nation-wide fund campaign, and it is to be hoped that those checker stalwarts who in the past have given generously toward the game's support, will again come to the front and "pledge" their offering.

Let us stress the point that each member of our fraternity is expected to not only pledge the greatest amount he can afford, but to go among his friends and help enlarge the circle of contributors. The various checker clubs are requested to stage benefit tourneys and matches to help swell the fund. Our leading experts can also help by getting in touch with clubs and arranging for benefit simultaneous exhibitions.

Presidents and secretaries of State Checker Associations are requested to send names and addresses of all their players and fans to the National Secretary, who will then send each player literature and Pledge Blanks.

Presidents and Secretaries of clubs are requested to do likewise, to the end that we can get on our files the names and

addresses of all Checker fans and players in America.

Had we the time, and could afford it, we would gladly write every player and fan a personal letter re. this International Match.

Every Player and Fan in America Must Cooperate Fully

If this International Match is realized it means that our ENTIRE FRATERNITY MUST ALL work toward its success. Don't sit back and wait for the other fellow to do the work; don't criticize the other fellow if he makes mistakes once in a while—we ALL make them. DO SOMETHING YOURSELF—and DO IT NOW. There is work for every man. Every man is a Committee in himself to help carry on this work of properly organizing ourselves and raising the necessary funds to stage the match. Get the name and address of every friend you know who is interested in Checkers, and send it to the National Secretary.

If every Checker fan in America would give only a dollar, we would all be truly amazed to learn the amount that could thus be realized.

It therefore behooves the entire checker fraternity of America to support this campaign to the utmost. Let each player and fan pledge all he can possibly afford. Send your pledges NOW, and pay later.

Then we will see our American boys facing the British team in the greatest checker match in history; we will see and meet Stewart, the world's champion and watch him in action; we will see other noted Scotsmen such as Ferrie, O'Connor, Campbell and Scott; we will see and meet many of old England's checker gallants such as Alexander, Tescheleit, Cohen, Ward, Gardner, Hynd, Cain, Goldsboro, Kaiser and Fricker; we will look with proud gaze upon the assemblage of such American celebrities as Heffner, Banks, Horr, Long, Gonotsky, Ginsberg, Jordan, Reynolds, Leiberman, Hanson, and those other checker stalwarts of our team who can be depended upon to fight to the last ditch—to avenge the disastrous defeat we received in 1905—and to carry the old Stars and Stripes on to VICTORY!

UPON YOU, brother Checkerist, just as much as upon them, will this victory depend; for you must give them the sinews of war, that they in turn can battle with all their might. WILL YOU RESPOND?

JOHN C. FINLEY,

Secretary American Checker Association.

Preliminary Matches Scheduled

The following schedule will complete all the preliminary matches:

O'Grady vs. Waterhouse, at Boston, May 1. Boston is contributing \$100 toward a 70-30 purse, and the A. C. A.

is donating \$50. Saul Weslow to referee.

Geo. M. Tanner vs. Herbert L. Brown, at Chicago, May 15. A. C. A. donates \$100, and Chicago fans donate \$50. F. R. Wendemuth to referee and have charge of proceedings.

Andrew R. Dossett vs. Mike Lieber, at either Detroit or Lebanon, Ind. A. C. A. gives \$50, and L. T. de Bearn and J. Sheenan, of Detroit, offer a purse of \$100.

The games of these matches, together with the games of the Bradford-Duffy match, will then be sent to the "Selected Members" of the International team, and they will then vote for the eleventh man for the team. This done, the eleven selected men will vote for the twelfth man, and continue in like manner until the three "substitutes" and three "challengers" are voted recognition.

The next step, any one of the three substitutes can present a written challenge to play a "regular" member of the team. If the "Big Seven" so decide, he will be given a match, providing his backers are willing to finance the match.

The "challengers" must defeat one of the substitutes in a match before the challenger can play a "regular" for a berth on the team; the substitute in such case having the right to first challenge a "regular." In case a substitute challenges a regular, and the "Big Seven" do not approve the challenge, then the substitute is in line to defend his position by accepting a challenge from a "challenger."

In all these matches, the challenging party or his backers must finance the match, the amount not to exceed \$100, and to be determined by the International Match committee. Such matches must be played at the residential city of the party challenged, if he so prefers.

Checker fans in Boston, Rochester, Lebanon, Chicago and Detroit, who wish to see their favorite player make a good showing, can advance his interests by contributing their share toward the preliminary match fund. Send all contributions to A. C. A. secretary.

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Grand Total of Pledges.....\$2,431.00

Reynolds Gets \$103 for Fund

H. B. Reynolds recently journeyed from Buffalo to Westfield, N. Y., to witness a team match between Erie, Pa., and Gowanda, N. Y. While there he gave an interesting talk on the International Match, and enthused the players and fans to the extent that they subscribed \$103 toward the International Match Fund. Brother Reynolds is thus elected a member of the "\$100 club." This is good work and fast work. Let's hope it will happen to others.

Chicagoans Donate

The following donations were made by Chicago players, to help finance the Bradford-Duffy match:

W. E. Thomis	\$10.00
J. G. Finley	7.00
J. H. Scott	5.00
Ernest Carlson	3.00
John I. Swiderski.....	3.00
C. A. Hawkins	5.00
J. Howe, Jr.	5.00
J. Robinson	2.00
F. R. Wendemuth.....	2.00
E. Doner	2.00
M. Roth	3.00
Len Ellis	3.00
J. A. Carter.....	1.00
Geo. Jennings	1.00
E. E. Main	1.00
T. Pawloski	1.00
P. McDonald	1.00
T. Mahan	1.00
G. M. Tanner.....	1.00

Total \$57.00

O'Connor Defeats Cohen 4 to 2, 33 Draws

Sam Cohen, champion of England, found George O'Connor, a former Scottish champion, a much more formidable opponent than M. Boyle, whom Cohen defeated rather easily last year. The O'Connor-Cohen match of 40 games, and for £100 a side, started Monday, April 5th, at Trades Hall, Glasgow. Ex-Bailie Smith, president S. D. A., opened the proceedings. A goodly number of leading Scottish experts were in attendance.

In a letter from the president of the E. D. A., dated April 16, we learn that the final score of the match gave victory to O'Connor, 4 to 2 and 33 draws.

Thus the youthful English champion tastes his first cup of defeat in match play—but in defeat his star shines brightly; for O'Connor has long been considered Scotland's second strongest player, ranking next to Robert Stewart, world champion.

And the well earned victory of O'Connor proves that the mother country of draughts still has left some mighty warriors of the Dambrod. Both contestants will prove worthy timber for the British international team.

Ray Kemmerer Joins \$100 Club

Raymond Kemmerer, former checker editor of the Allentown Record, has announced his intention of raising \$100 for the International team match, thus becoming a member of the now famous \$100 Club. Editor Banks will be at West Catasauqua, Pa., Mr. Kemmerer's home, on May 2nd, and meet the boys in simultaneous play. Willie Ryan plans to be there and take a hand in the play.

IN MEMORIAM

By J. G. F.

What changes time has wrought in the ranks of Dameh's votaries during the brief few years that have glided by so swiftly! Father Time has indeed been remarkably busy with his inevitable scythe. Only a few days ago our checker fraternity was shocked to learn that there passed into the land whence none return



E. W. McDONALD

that great hearted man—that true friend of checkers—E. W. McDonald of Boston. "Big Mac" has gone—the roll has been called—and once again the ranks of the "Old Guard", so sadly depleted these last few years, will close up, and mark time while the autumn of life expends its golden and precious moments. Shearer, Calvert, McDonald—three of the brightest lights in the checker firmament—among the noblest and most beloved of Dameh's followers,—now

"Sleep the sleep that knows no breaking,
Morn of toil nor night of waking."

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"Gone before, to that unknown and silent shore."

For many years secretary of the Massachusetts Checker Association; and one of the leading promoters of checker doings in New England, "Mac" had gained a legion of true friends and had endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact.

"Big Mac" helped to promote the fifth American tournament. In this same year he also started the western Massachusetts checker tournament at Springfield and the Connecticut state championship. In 1924 he attended the 6th American Tourney

and helped materially in making that checker classic such a decided success. "Mac" was also on the committee for the international checker match to be held in America.

Mr. MacDonald was prominent in the affairs of the Wells Memorial Institute and had served on the board of management for many years.

It was one of his cherished hopes to see another International Match with Great Britain and he had builded constructively to help toward its successful promotion. The checker world can ill afford to miss the services of this genial man, this staunch citizen.

Only a few years ago we roomed with "Mac" during the 6th Tourney at the Alamac; and many the long evening, way into the wee sma' hours of morning did we sit there with him playing checkers and handing out blarney. Teetzel and Heffner completed the nightly quartette, the former to compete in our three-cornered "loser gets up" and the "Old Master" to kid us lesser lights when we made a bum move. Many a happy evening thus—golden hours with dear friends; hours that we shall treasure always. Gone forever is "Big Mac," but his memory will linger always in the hearts of those who knew him and loved him.

D. C. Calvert Passes

A memorable figure in checkerdom departed March 16 when D. C. Calvert of New London, Conn., passed away. He was one of the "old school" of analysts, and was fondly called by his brother editors, "The arch critic of America." He was a regular attendant of the Washington Birthday meets at Boston Checker Club, treading the rounds of tournaments in New England quietly as one should carry the memories of many a bygone tournament, finding solace in modern checker circles even though they represented another generation. He will be missed.

Death of Mr. H. F. Shearer

With much regret we announce the death of Mr. H. F. Shearer, who passed away after a short illness at the early age of 52. Mr. Shearer played for Scotland at Manchester last April against England. He was well-known throughout the world as a class player and analyst. He was at one time Editor of the "People's Journal" column. He was busy annotating the recent International games, and his indifferent health delayed his work. His death is a great loss to the game of draughts, but more so to his bereaved widow and four of a family, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

(Govan Press, Glasgow)

R. T. WARD WINS GREAT BRITAIN CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNEY---JOHN HYND RUNNER-UP

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Scotsmen Fare Badly in British Open Championship—Londoners Wiped Out

The British championship tourney, open to all residents of England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Canada and Australia, started Monday, April 5, at Sheffield, England.

Round 1

Wins	Draws	Wins
3 Biggs	1	Whittington 0
1 Christie	7	Kaiser 0
3 Moulding	0	Hill 1
3 Roberts	0	De Wire 1
3 Bucklow	0	Opie 0
3 Dufficy	4	Hulley 0
4 Barron	0	Whitelegge 1
2 A. B. Scott	3	Fyfe 0
4 Waller	0	Bruce 1
1 J. Hynd	3	Fricker 0

Fricker retired. Goldsborough retired to Hemmings on account of ill-health.

On Tuesday the unfinished heat between Kaiser, London, and Christie, Sunderland, ended in favor of the latter player by one win and seven draws. Ward, Birmingham, beat Scobbie, Motherwell, an ex-Scottish champion, by the same score.

In the second round there are four byes, the fortunate ones being Waller, Manchester; Scott, Govan; Moulding, Manchester; and Ward. The St. Helens and Manchester players are going well, Hynd winning three games from Bucklow, Sheffield, and Roberts, St. Helens, three from Hemmings, Birmingham. Waller, Sale, won his first game from Christie, Sunderland, with two draws.

In the third round, Moulding, Manchester, won his first game against Scott, Govan, the latter losing a Kelso similar to a game won by Stewart against Banks. The Scottish contingent are doing badly, whilst London has been wiped out.

Some of the Endings

11-16, 24-20 Opening—Black (Ward)—5, 6, 7, 12, 15, 19; White (Scobbie)—13, 16, 26, 30, 31, 32. White to play—26-22, 19-24, 32-27, 12-19, 27-20, 7-11, 31-27, 19-24, 27-23, 24-27, 23-18, 6-10, 20-16, 11-20, 18-11—Drawn.

9-14, 22-18 Opening—Black (Dufficy)—1, 2, 3, 9, 11, 14; White (Hulley)—12, 18, 21, 22, 23, 26, 30. Black to play—2-6, 21-17, 14-21, 22-17, 6-10, 26-22, 10-15, 17-13, 1-6, 22-17, 15-22, 23-18, 22-25, 17-14, 11-15, 14-5, 15-22, 5-1, 6-10, 1-6, 10-15, 6-10, 15-18, 10-14, 18-23—Drawn.

9-13, 23-19 Opening—Black (Christie)—4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 20, 28; White (Kaiser)—14, 21, 26, 27, 30, 32. Black to play—11-16, 21-17, 6-9, 14-10, 9-13, 17-14, 8-12, 10-7, 16-19, 27-23, 19-24, 23-18, 24-27, 32-23,

28-32, 14-9, 5-14, 18-9, 32-27, 23-18, 13-17, 18-14, 4-8, 14-10, 8-11, 7-3, 11-15, 3-7, 12-16, 10-6, 15-19, 7-10, 27-31, 26-23, 19-26, 30-23, 31-26, 23-18—Drawn.

9-13, 22-18 Opening—Black (J. Hynd)—9, 10, 12, 22; White (Fricker)—21, 24, 30, 31. Black to play—9-14, 24-19, 22-25, 30-26, 25-30, 26-23, 30-25, 31-26, 25-30, 26-22, 30-26, 22-18, 26-31, 18-9, 10-14—Drawn.

9-13, 22-18 Opening—Black (Scott)—3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 13, 16, 20; White (Hynd)—15, 21, 23, 25, 26, 28, 30, 32. White to play—15-11, 8-15, 23-19, 15-24, 28-12, 20-24, 25-22, 6-10, 26-23, 24-27, 23-18, 27-31, 32-28, 31-27—White resigns.

11-16, 21-17 Opening—Black (Scobbie)—2, 12, 16, 20, 26; White (Ward)—8, 9, 23, 27, 28. Black to play—26-30, 23-18, 30-26, 18-15, 26-31, 27-23, 31-26, 23-18, 26-22, 9-5, 22-26, 15-11, 26-23, 18-15, 16-19, 8-3—Drawn.

9-14, 24-20 Opening—Black (A. Hynd)—1, 3, 7, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16; White (Scott)—9, 20, 21, 23, 27, 30, 31, 32. Black to play—16-19, 23-16, 12-19, 30-26, 3-8, 32-28, 7-10, 9-6, 19-23, 26-19, 15-24, 28-19—Black resigns.

11-16, 21-17 Opening—Black (Ward)—3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 12, 16, 22; White (Scobbie)—9, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 29, 31. Black to play—10-14, 9-5, 14-18, 23-14, 16-23, 5-1, 23-27, 1-5, 27-32, 5-9, 32-28, 14-10, 7-14, 9-25, 28-19, 21-17—Drawn.

Later Report—R. T. Ward Wins

In a last minute report from Sheffield we learn that Mr. R. T. Ward of Birmingham is champion of Great Britain by virtue of defeating John Hynd of Manchester in the finals, 1 to 0 and 7 draws. Ward won Black side of 12-16, 23-19, Barred opening, and drew the weak side.

Banks' Western Tour

Editor Newell W. Banks starts a 6-weeks' tour next month, leaving Chicago May 17th enroute to Minneapolis and Montana. He will visit Butte; Spokane; Seattle; Portland; Vancouver, Albany, Oregon; San Francisco; Los Angeles; San Diego and return via Grand Junction and Denver. He will also visit checker centers in Idaho. Bookings for simultaneous and blindfold exhibitions can be made by writing direct to the Checkerist.

Books are indispensable to the acquirement of skill at checkers. Life is too short for one to become better than tenth-rate through his own unaided study.—New York World.

Don't Be Too "Cocky"

As will be remembered, the slogan for the Sixty Tourney was: "On to the Alamac." Suggestions are now in order for an appropriate slogan for the International Match. Shall it be: "On to Victory"?

Anyhow, that's the checker aim of the A. C. A., but we must properly prepare for that victory and not take it for granted, or labor under the impression that our "ace-in-the-hole" is a "cinch hand." Sound words of advice are given the American players by their captain, A. J. Heffner, who writes:

"I am well aware that the American players feel confident they have outstepped their foreign rivals, and it may be so. I also feel strongly in the belief that our team will be much stronger as a whole than it was in the first match. But I would caution them not to be so cocky; keep plugging hard and we can go into the match feeling confident our winning chances are good. I am unable to take the rosy view of some of our players. They reason our rivals have lost some of their very best, and a few others have seen their best days, and there is nothing over there that can replace them. This may also be so, but I advise them to do as I am doing: Prepare for a stronger team as a whole than was here for the first match. Do this. Then win or lose we will know we have done our best.—A. J. Heffner."

Detroit Club Re-organizes

The Detroit Chess and Checker Club, located on the 8th floor of the Hofman Bldg., Woodward and Sibley, Detroit, and one of America's finest equipped checker and chess clubs, has added twenty-five new checker players to its roster since January, and plans are being made to locate in larger quarters. J. H. Forbes, who held the reins for many years as president, and later secretary and treasurer, and whose faithful work has been instrumental in building up the club, has retired. The new secretary-treasurer is L. T. de Bearn, former Michigan champion, and the rapid addition of new members is due to his capable executive ability.

The club is open afternoon and evening both week-days and Sundays. Each Saturday evening Mr. de Bearn stages a knockout tourney, with cash prizes. A club "ladder tourney" is now in progress.

Delray, Florida, Has Active Club

Delray Checker and Chess Club organizing for winter entertainment is flourishing. According to C. L. Brainard, president of the club, there are now over 50 members. Match games and tournaments are being sought with other Florida towns.

Jeruchemson Wins Los Angeles Club Tourney

In the final round of the Los Angeles Club Tourney the youthful checker marvel Sol Jeruchemson proved his calibre again by defeating the veteran, John Dougherty, 4 to 0 and 4 draws. This Tourney practically settles once for all the question of Pacific Coast supremacy. Up in Seattle another very strong player in the person of Peter Doran is looking southward with a weather eye to a match with the champion. In another year or two it would not be surprising to see this boy Jeruchemson develop into another Gonotsky.

Apologies

A number of causes conspired to delay publication of the March and April issues of the Checkerist. Our presses have been taxed beyond capacity during the past weeks, resulting in a disarrangement of our publishing schedules. We're mighty sorry. It has been a constant effort on our part to produce the magazine punctually but under the stress of business pressure we find our best intentions sometimes unrealized. One compensating feature about our tardiness has been the number of letters we have received from our friends speaking highly of the Checkerist and telling us they have missed it keenly. Typical of these communications is one from Leroy M. Foster published below.

"What happened to my March number of the Checkerist?

"Did some checker playing railway mail clerk get his eye on it? If he did, he most likely got his hands on it also. I don't know as I blame him any but I also want that same Checkerist. That is the best little book on checkers I ever got my hands on.

"I would rather miss a ball game in the summer or a basket ball game in the winter, or a big feed any old time than miss the Checkerist."

We expect to return to normal schedule with the May issue and in the meantime offer our sincere apologies to our many friends and readers.

Hot Doings at Lynn

Lynn, Mass., is a nest of rivalry for local checker honors since Frank L. McClellan of that city opened his purse and offered to split \$100.00 if any opponent will do likewise, for the title. McClellan thinks it ought to be a 30-game match. If Mr. Titus, who won first place in a tourney promoted by the Lynn Checker Club, is willing to play McClellan the latter will reduce the stake to \$25.00 a side and McClellan will allow a one-game handicap.

Challenges Ebert, Hollow or DeBearn

E. E. Main of South Haven, Mich., has issued a challenge to play either Hollow, Ebert or DeBearn a match at checkers for a stake of \$100 a side, the contest to take place at South Haven on Labor Day. The match is to consist of 30 games, and Mr. Main stands ready to sign his name on the dotted line any time any one of these gentlemen elect to meet him.

Lehigh Valley Tourney

The Lehigh Valley, Pa., Checker Association will hold their annual tourney at Bethlehem, April 25th. Otto Zanger, of Allentown, winner for 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1924, 1925; John Tonkin, winner for 1923, and Joe Williams, winner for 1922, will again compete for the title. Valuable prizes will be offered.

In Appreciation

Editor Banks was given a generous reception at Albany, Oregon, which will linger in his memory for many a year to come. The kindly attentions and courtesies extended are not "writ in water" but are part of the permanent treasure of his experience.

Frank Randall

In the recent death of Frank Randall of Peabody, Mass., the Essex County players will miss a fine player and a most delightful but gracious opponent. He was one of the original Tourist Checker Club members of St. Petersburg, Fla., and had a large circle of friends among the players of the country.

New Checker and Chess Column

E. B. Hallman, Box 398, Spartanburg, S. C., has started a checker and chess column in the Spartanburg (S. C.) Herald, and his initial venture presents a very attractive appearance. Two checker diagrams, two chess diagrams, several games, a gist of local and national news and a biography of Alf. Jordan complete the first issue. His column will prove a great boon for checkers in the Sunny South.

Townsend Retires

Victor Townsend writes that he will be unable to play Tom O'Grady May 15 at Boston as scheduled. Boston fans are desirous of giving Waterhouse another chance, but players at western points very much favor matching Dossett or Tanner against O'Grady.

Alf. Jordan while enroute to St. Petersburg for the big February tourney, was royally entertained by G. H. Evans and R. C. Greene at Chattanooga, Tenn. Mr. Greene won a remarkable game from Artful Alf. in a simultaneous display.

Wells Wins Permanent Trophy

The Collier trophy cup, which has been the butt of dispute for the past three years, now falls into the permanent possession of the Wells Club by virtue of having won it successively for three years. Wells did not lose a match in the league race for this trophy.

Seventy-Nine Years Young

R. W. Greig of Collingwood, Ontario, Canada, writes that he would like to interest the young fellows in the art and science of checkers.

"I am only 79 years young myself, so do not play as much as formerly," he adds.

Life Members in England

The English Draughts Association reserves a place on its chart for life members. A life membership is purchased at 5 lbs. or approximately \$25.00. Recently, Frederick F. Smith, the well known analyst of Britain, attached his name to this select roll of honor.

Long Beach, Calif., players must be eating synthetic brain food secretly, according to one observer of the recent match between Pasadena team and the aggregation representing Long Beach, for the latter assaulted, bruised and battered the Pasadena team by the score of 23 to 11 and 14 draws. The Pasadena crowd wants vengeance.

Arthur C. Hale of Visalia, California, who is connected with the California Packing Corporation, writes that he would like to have any checker players who are in the vicinity call on him and exchange ideas across the board. His home address is 801 West Main Street.

Through the efforts of Edw. W. Urie, a city tourney is being staged in Wellsville, Ohio, with more than 20 entries. A Double-Knockout is being adopted.

For correspondence games, write to R. E. Ingraham of Oak, Florida, who is aching for some good competition.

The St. Petersburg, Florida, team of 9' men recently defeated the Lakeland team 18 to 7. John W. Bolton, who is wintering in the sunny south, scored some of the wins for the St. Pete team.

Charles Smedley, of Grand Rapids, former president of the Michigan Checker Association, and a great booster for the game, passed on to happier lands Feb. 26th, aged 69 years. He willed an extensive collection of checker books to the Ryerson Library at Grand Rapids. Many friends will regret his departure.

Great Lakes Correspondence Team vs. Surrey County, England

What promises to be one of the biggest correspondence matches in many years has just started between teams representing the Great Lakes District of America and the Surrey County Draughts Association of England. E. E. Main of South Haven, Michigan, is captaining the American boys, and has selected the following strong team to compete for supremacy:

Fred O'Melay, Hillsdale, Mich.
R. D. Banks, Chicago, Ill.
Floyd Pennell, Grand Rapids, Mich.
B. Dell, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Guy H. Garwood, Van Wert, Ohio.
L. S. Hart, Jr., Duncannon, Pa.
W. F. B. Clevenger, Des Moines, Iowa.
Geo. S. Jennings, Chicago, Ill.
J. D. Mulvaney, Bangor, Maine.
E. E. Main, South Haven, Mich.

Each team has arranged its men as far as it is possible according to strength; four games are to be played to a heat, and each player select an opening, of which both sides are to be played.

This match will enable players from small towns, remote from the big checker centers, to enjoy "our game," and to spend pleasant evenings in analytical research.

The main object of Checkers, after all, is to give mental recreation and diversion. Mr. Main plans to publish all the games in book form, with photos and biographies of the players competing. It will be an interesting event.

William Bryden's Son

William Bryden who won the first Scottish Tourney, and later played Wyllie a match for the championship of the world, left a son to carry on in the checker realm. This son is now playing on the Garvach Checker Club correspondence team of Londonderry, Ireland. At present the club is playing a match with the West Orange, N. J., club of America, represented by William Lonie, John Love and Clifford Axworthy. Mr. Bryden is employed as a constable in Ulster and conducts a draughts column there.

Grand Rapids Club

The Grand Rapids Chess and Checker Club has been reorganized with headquarters at 350 Iona Ave., S.W. F. A. Hollway is president, and Floyd Pennell, 2026 N. Lafayette, is secretary and treasurer. Regular meetings are Thursday and Saturday afternoons and evenings, and Sundays from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. All outside players are cordially invited to attend. A city tourney for Grand Rapids will be started in April.

Seattle Again Victor

On Saturday, March 20, the Seattle Checker Club journeyed to Canada and played the Vancouver, B. C., team, 15 men a side, Seattle winning 26 to 24 and 36 draws. This was the third meet between the two clubs, Seattle having won the first two by a very close margin. In this match two sittings were played, one in the afternoon and one in the evening, the teams being paired by ballot in each instance. In the afternoon the score ended: Seattle 10, Vancouver 9, drawn 11; in the evening Seattle took 16, Vancouver 15 with 25 draws.

A. R. Johnston, Floyd O. Payne, O. G. Young, A. J. Lemeuse, C. L. Stone, Dan Davies, G. Masie, V. Alternose, J. B. Willey, P. Tucker, G. H. Payne, H. N. McKinzie, Warren Hall, J. E. O'Brien and L. J. Cantrell represented Seattle, while Hugh Cairney of Vancouver won his heats against both Willey and Stone.

Alf. in South Carolina

Alfred Jordan, world-known checker expert, has given much pleasure to Spartanburg fans during his visit there. In the two simultaneous exhibitions given by him he maintained his usual record of playing without a loss, winning 32 and drawing 8 in Union, winning 30 and drawing 3 at the Y. M. C. A. Spartanburg players will always have a warm welcome for "Artful Alf."

Joins the \$100 Club

The "\$100 Fund Club" idea is a good one. It gets the many small contributions that otherwise fail to materialize. Allow me to undertake—no, I mean guarantee—\$100 of pledges by Sept. 1st in the Harrisburg district.

L. S. Hart, Jr., Duncannon, Pa.

Lonie and Guild Play Tie

William Lonie of West Orange, New Jersey, and D. F. Guild of East Orange recently played a series of 8 games, with a score of one each and six draws. Mr. Guild won the 1925 Jersey tourney. No one has yet started the ball rolling for a 1926 state tourney.

Bradford-Duffy Match

Bradford points out where he missed a neat win in game 5, with the Black side of 9-14, 24-20, and further shows where Duffy could have forced a probable winning continuation in game 9, when Bradford, with the Black side of 12-16, 24-19, stretched his position in an effort to equalize the score.

E. H. Taylor of Saugus, Massachusetts, is helping the local players to form a club. He reports some excellent talent in the community.

A TALK FOR BEGINNERS

By Hugh Egan
(Champion of Australia)

It is a standing order in human nature to ridicule that which we fail to understand, and under this heading nothing receives such wholesale and unjust condemnation as the humble and unostentatious game of draughts. Your unenlightened critic will gravely inform you that it is a "childish game," that "there is nothing in it," "any fool can play that simple game," and so on in the same strain. Ask him to have a game and he will at once exclaim: "I would have no chance with you, because you have the game at your fingers' ends and know all about it," at once giving a direct contradiction to his caustic comments. It is easy to point out that if "there is nothing in the game" there should be "nothing to know." Actually this apparently simple game is the oldest and most scientific mental pastime known to man. The truth is it taxes the intellectual faculties to the utmost; a lifetime is too short to master its intricacies, and its variety is practically infinite. Probably there is no game in which a superficial knowledge is more easily acquired, yet it is capable of a profundity truly amazing, and its literature dates back to the 17th century.

The literature of the game, from which the "newcomer" must glean a "little learning," sufficient to play the game intelligently, and to enjoy and appreciate its immense possibilities, consists for the main part of the recording of games played between players in actual play, supplemented by the work of the analyst and the annotator; and to enable this part of the game's literature to be read we have the method of designating the squares by means of figures. Numbering the squares from 1 to 32 has been the universal method for more than 200 years. Canalejas, the ancient Spanish author, had the board so diagrammed in his treatise published in 1650, and in 1668, a French writer, Pierre Mallet, numbered each half from 1 to 16. Various other methods have been proposed, alphabetical and figurative, or a combination of both—but the 1 to 32 system has

withstood the test of time, and the numbered board is:

Black.

	1	2	3	4	
5	6	7	8		
	9	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16		
	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24		
	25	26	27	28	
29	30	31	32		

White.

At the start of a game, with the pieces set ready for play, the lowest squares are always occupied by Black men, and it will be noted that there is a double corner—that is squares 1 to 5, and squares 32 to 28—on the right hand of each player. The first thing necessary for the beginner is, of course, to become conversant with the numbers of the board. At the start it is advisable for the budding player to have his board marked with the numbers; but after a little practice he will soon be able to dispense with this aid. Probably the most suitable opening for the beginner to commence with is the "Old Fourteenth," so called because it was the 14th opening dealt with by Joshua Sturges in his work, published in 1800. This opening, however, has already received much attention in this magazine; there I am inviting the "newcomer" to follow on a little farther along the path of enlightenment.

In the game here given, the beginner is asked to take the Black pieces, and play over the recorded moves. The specimen game is from the "Nailor" opening; a method of defence naturally adopted by the uninitiated player. In reality it is weak for White, and is rarely, if ever, used by experts. The advance of the 3 pieces along the line from 30 to 19 appeals to the novice, and soon becomes a stock formation with him, until enlightenment teaches him better methods.

This game will show you how to attack when the second player adopts the "Nailor" opening against you:

11-15	15-22	1-5	17-26	7-16
23-19	25-9	18-9	31-22	23-7
8-11	5-14	5-14	7-10	2-11
26-23A	26-22E	29-25	22-18	28-24
4-8	11-16	14-17	3-7	26-22
30-26B	24-20	21-14	18-15	27-18
9-14	8-11	10-17	11-18	12-16
22-18C	22-18	25-22	20-11	18-14

—and 16-20, 24-19—and now the game should end in a draw; but at White's last move (24-19) if 32-27 had been played instead, then Black would win by 11-16, blocking all White's pieces.

A—This forms the opening. The

A Challenge

G. L. Adams of Longmont, Colorado, thus challenges checker teams from neighboring towns: "We have a little four-man team up here in Longmont that will challenge any other four-man team (all from one town or city) in Northern Colorado. Our team consists of McGreevy, Clark, Pollard and Adams.

Address communications to G. L. Adams, 931 Main Street, Longmont, Colo.

match between Drummond and Hudson in 1858 was the first contest recorded in which the opening was played. It was named the "Nailor" by Drummond in the 2nd volume of the fourth edition of his work, published in 1866. "Lees' Guide" gives a splendid treatise along more modern lines of the opening.

B—22-17 and 21-17 are stronger alternatives, but as the text is the distinctive formation referred to in this article, it is here dealt with.

C—At this stage 22-18 is the only move of any account: 22-17 and 24-20 both lose; the latter by 15-24, 28-19, 11-15, 27-24, 8-11, etc., and here is some neat play on the former:

22-17	11-18	25-22	7-10	17-14
6-9	24-20	18-25	22-17	11-15
17-13	14-17	29-22	5-9	14-5
1-6	21-14	17-26	23-18	15-22
26-22	10-17	31-22	3-7	5-1
15-18	23-14	8-11	19-15	D 6-10
22-15	9-18	27-23	10-19	B. wins

D—The credit for this interesting win belongs to James Ferrie, of Glasgow, an ex-champion of the world.

E—24-20, 11-15, 29-25, 15-24, 28-19, is drawable but critical for White.

Big Turnout in Eastern Connecticut

A splendid turnout for the Eastern Connecticut tourney brought a spirited contest between players of various cities and villages east of the Connecticut River, on March 2.

Carl Hallen, of Lebanon, Connecticut, showed his class by holding his opponents at bay, finally winning over William Warren of Putnam, who was forced to content himself with second prize. A noteworthy feature of the first round was the elimination of Eddie Mack of New London by Joseph Gorman of Norwich, these men playing three consecutive draws before Gorman captured the final game. The last to be eliminated in the first round was Judge Geissler of Putnam, paired against the new champ, Carl Hallen. They played for three hours before Hallen succeeded in eliminating the judge, winning 2, losing 1, and playing 1 draw.

The tournament was followed by a luncheon and concert in the evening.

First award consisted of a loving cup and \$25.00 in cash; second prize amounted to \$10.00; while E. L. Pultz and Fred Booth, who finished third and fourth, received \$5.00 each. The tournament was staged under the auspices of the Duwell Athletic Club.

"The Hanson-Davis Match Games Book belongs to a class of checker literature that I recommend to experts, inasmuch as it enables them to measure the strength of the players involved."—E. J. Seelbach.

Canada Plans Ahead

The Executive Committee of The Dominion Checker Association is earnestly at work preparing for the next tourney which is to be staged January 17, 1927. It is a long time off but continuous activity during the spring and summer and fall with a view of stimulating interest in the game and attracting a large field of entries, will bear fruit next January. Here is what G. A. Andrus, Financial Secretary of the D. C. A., 5 Aldridge Ave., Toronto, says to the Canadian checker public:

"What Can You Do to Help the Cause? I'll tell you—

1. Try to persuade some wealthy relative or friend who loves clean, elevating sport to send a contribution.
2. Persuade your checker club to send \$5.00 for affiliation with the D. C. A.
3. Try to induce your checker friend to send \$1.00 and receive a D. C. A. membership ticket.
4. Kindly send \$1.00 yourself for a membership ticket."

Estes Picks 2nd Team

E. B. Estes writes: The Jan. issue of Checkerist was the best ever. The "Big Seven" article and photos mark a distinct advance in the magazine. America should be proud to have seven such great players. They look competent for a president's cabinet. And we have some other "Big Timers," which I am nominating the "Big Five"—namely: Bradford, Lieberman, Hanson, Reynolds and O'Grady. My choice for subs. would be Dossett, Duffy and Townsend. While we're at it, let's pick a second team of America's best. Here goes: G. M. Tanner, P. H. Ketchum, Herbert Morrall, E. C. Waterhouse, W. E. Davis, Victor Johnson, Mike Lieber, H. O. Newcomb, John Dougherty, Guy Garwood, Chris Nelson, Geo. A. Rudolph, A. Mantell, P. Doran, J. O. K. Smith and G. Fleming."

North Dakota Association Issues Annual

A neat and compact publication has again emerged from North Dakota Checker Association, with interesting diagrams and editorial comments. The games, too, are worth following. The North Dakota Association deserves to be recommended for its initiative in producing this publication annually. Probably the various advertisements solicited by the Association largely cover the cost of publishing. L. H. Nichols is president of the association.

The Seattle, Washington, club is staging a checker meet and dance for the benefit of International Team Match Fund. They hope to realize \$100 to help swell the purse. Good work!

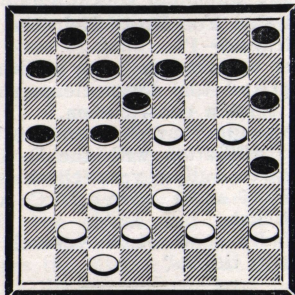
AMONG THE ANALYSTS AND CRITICS

Would Correct B. D. P.

By E. B. Estes

On page 363, Exercise 2, British Draughts Player, we find the following position from a Denny opening, note "C."

Black—1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 20.



White—15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30.

Black to play: 10-19, 22-17, 13-29, 30-25, 29-22, 26-3, 19-26, 31-22, 12-19, 3-12. The annotator now goes 20-24, 27-20, 19-23, for a draw. But instead of 20-24, I play 19-24, 28-19, 4-8, 12-3, 2-7, 3-10, 6-31, for a Black win!

Can Black Draw?

W. H. Messer, Barre, Vermont, writes: In a club tournament the following situation occurred in a game played by Ex-State Champion Stephen (Black) and Chas. Jackson (White): Black 3, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 21; White 19, 20, 23, 24, 30, 31, 32.

White's move, and Mr. Stephen succeeded in drawing the game, which, however, onlookers declared should have resulted in a white win.

Can any of your readers show a clean draw for black? The writer will wager a year's subscription to Checkerist that no safe draw for black can be shown.

Comment by W. H. Jones

(So. Wales, England)

At the 18th move of analysis under diagram, game 348, page 40, Feb. Checkerist, we have this position as between W. Campbell and R. Jordan:

Black 5, 16, King 21

White 9, Kings 14, 15.

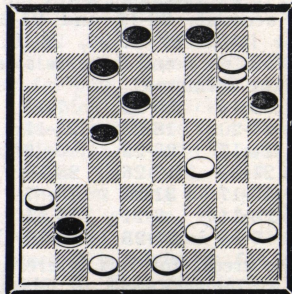
Black to play. Campbell went 16-20 and lost. The following draws: 21-17, 14-21, 5-14, 21-25, 14-17, 25-21, 17-22, 21-17, 22-25, 17-14, 25-30, 14-18, 16-20, 15-19, 30-25.—Drawn.

Would Correct Elvin Lee

By Harold F. Barnes

Re game by Elvin Lee in reply to enquiry of Frank Sobo on "Single Corner," January issue: Position at Mr. Lee's note "A":

Black—2, 3, 6, 10, 12, 14, King 25.



White—19, 21, 27, 28, 30, 31, King 8.

Black to play. Mr. Lee gives 2-7 as a Black loss by 27-24. He continues with 25-22, which does lose. But why not 14-18? Now 21-17 seems White's best reply to 14-18, so I am appending some play on the 21-17 line. Black to play and draw, from diagram:

2-7	17-13	18-14	22-18F	23-27
27-24	18-23	20-16C	10-14	18-15
14-18*	24-20	14-9	31-22	9-14
21-17	22-18	25-22E	14-23	H 8-11
25-22	30-25A	23-26	22-18G	14-18

—Drawn

A—31-26B, 23-27, 26-22, 18-25, 30-21, 27-31, 20-16, 31-27, 8-4, 27-24, 11-9, 24-15—Drawn.

B—20-16, 23-27, 31-24, 6-9, 13-6, 10-15, 19-10, 12-19, 24-15, 18-4, 30-26, 7-14, 26-22—Drawn.

C—25-22, 7-11, 8-15, 14-18, 13-9D, 6-13, 15-6, 18-25, 20-16, 23-26, 31-22, 25-18, 16-11, 18-23—Drawn.

D—15-11, 18-25, 11-8, 10-14—B. wins.
E—8-11, 9-5, 11-9, 5-14, 25-22, 10-15, 14-7—Black is best.

F—8-11, 26-30, 11-2, 9-5, 2-9, 5-14, 31-27, 30-25, 22-17, 14-21, 16-11—Drawn.

G—8-11, 23-26, 11-7, 9-5, 2-9, 5-14, 16-11, 26-30, 22-17—Drawn.

H—15-11, 7-10, 11-7, 14-9, 7-2, 9-5, 2-9, 5-14, 8-11, 27-32, 11-15, 32-27, 15-6, 27-24, 19-15, 12-19, 6-2—Drawn—H. F. Barnes.

Hollow vs. de Bearn

L. T. de Bearn reports that he is slated to play C. H. Hollow, Michigan tourney champion, a 30-game match, for \$100 a side, the contest to take place Labor Day at Detroit.

A Neat Problem

The following pretty 2x2 is given in the Vancouver Province as problem No. 279, by H. C. Newland:

Black 1, King 29; White 17, 21. White to move and draw.

17-14E*	29-25B	6- 1*	9-13
1- 51	10- 6*	5- 9A	21-17
14-10*	25-22	1- 5*	Drawn

A—22-18, 21-17, 18-15, 1-6, 15-18, 6-1, 5-9, 1-5.—Drawn.

B—5-9, 21-17.—Drawn.

Variation 1

29-25C	9- 5	18-15D	5- 1
14- 9*	22-18	17-14	*15-18
25-22	21-17	1- 6	Drawn

C—1-6, 21-17, 29-25, 17-13, 25-22, 14-9.—Drawn.

D—1-6, 5-1, 6-9, 17-13*.—Drawn.

E—17-13, 1-5.—Black wins.

Sixth Tourney Book Correction

Contributed by the "Bo'sun"

After the 21st move of note B in game 195, "6th A. T. Book," the position is as follows:

Black 11, 12, 16, 20, 22, 24.	White 13,
21, 31, 32, King 7.	Black to play and win.
22-25A	29-25
7-10	9- 6
25-29	16-19
13- 9	32-28

—and 15-18.—Black wins.

A—To correct 24-28 which allows a draw.

The above play must be right because it is by Willie Gardner himself.—"Bo'sun."

John G. Gilmore Comments

Re-ending between H. Morrall and G. Gonotsky during recent Boston Tourney. I think Sam missed a win with White position:

Black 8, 12, 15, King 19; White 14, 20, Kings 10, 22.

White to play. Instead of 20-16, which allows a draw by 15-18, try:

14- 9	19-24	6- 2	24-27	18-27
8-11	9- 6	19-23	2- 6	32-23
10-14A	15-19	22-18	27-32	6-10

—White wins.

A—19-23, 9-6, 15-19, 22-18, 19-24, 18-27, 24-31, 14-18. Black wins. Criticism invited.

The Colorado Checker Bulletin, official organ of the state association, is edited by L. J. Vair and published by E. A. Bruhn, 1312 Sixteenth St., Denver, Colorado. Vol. 1, No. 11 just came to hand, and is brimful of good checker news, games and sparkling problems. It is now printed in the form of a 4-page booklet, 10½ inches long and 6 inches wide. Followers of Dama in the far west, can ill afford to miss each issue of this interesting checker booklet.

Oor Game

(By James Ogg, Aberdeen, Scotland)

Oor game, wi' a' its simple grace,
An' a' its ancient claims,
Still bravely hauds its honored place—
The king o' hamely games.

The unco wise askance may squint,
An' ca't a feckless ploy;
But still the keenest minds find in't
An endless source o' joy.

An' we wha try its depths to soon'.
But find we never can.
Frae our experience look doon.
An' simply say, "It's gran'!"

Lang may't, amid life's fash and fuss,
Its heid still doocely raise;
An' for the joy it brings to us
We'll croosely sing its praise.

Problem Solving

Charles Heffer in a letter to the Draughts Review remarks: "I think solutions to problems should all be published in the same issue that the problems are given. I look upon problems as the best method of improving one's play, and do not regard it as necessary to solve the problems without seeing the solution in order to gain the most beneficial results. My own method was to try and solve the problem (if not too difficult) without looking at the solution, but not to waste too much precious time thereon—rather to go over the problem carefully, same as one would a game analysis, and endeavor if possible to defeat the author's conditions. In that way I not only obtained all of the many problems that I have published, but also gained a most thorough knowledge of the work of other noted problemists and analysts.

When editing the A. C. Review about 40 years ago, this matter was gone into by many of the best problemists of the day, and I think a great majority were of the same opinion. Besides, it makes each issue complete in itself, and that is desirable also."

B. Dell Writes

Re problem 439, by P. M. Powers—Black 3, Kings 19, 26. White 10, 15, 17, King 2. White plays; Black draws. I think White can win. The author plays 17-13, 26-22, 13-9, 22-17. Now Mr. Powers gives 9-5 and allows a draw, but 9-6 wins thus:

9- 6	2- 7	6- 1	15-11	1- 6
17-14A	14- 9	9- 6B	6- 8	W. wins
A—19-23, 6-1, 23-19C, 1-6, 17-14, 15-11, 14-16, 2-7.—W. wins.				

B—19-23, 7-2, 23-19, 15-11, 19-16D, 10-7, 3-10, 1-5, 16-7, 5-14, 10-17, 2-11.—W. wins.

C—23-18, 1-6, 18-11, 10-7.—W. wins.

D—9-14, 1-6, 14-16E, 2-7.—W. wins.

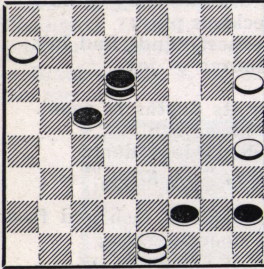
E—If 14-5 or 14-23, 2-6 wins.

(The 9-6 move was also noted by A. W. Sellers.)

Problems for the Beginners

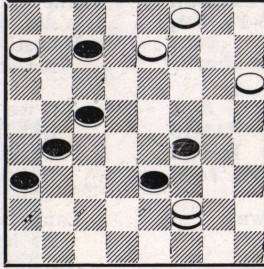
PROBLEM No. 492

By Willard E. Davis

White—13, 21, 28,
King 2Black—5, 6, 19,
King 23
Black to play and win

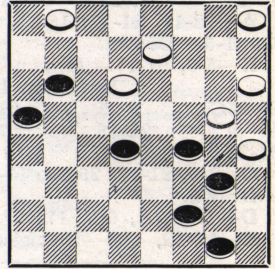
PROBLEM No. 493

By Willard E. Davis

White—21, 26, 28, 30,
King 6Black—10, 12, 14, 16,
19, 27
Black to play and win

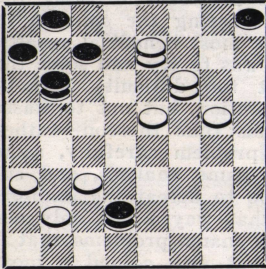
PROBLEM No. 494

By Willard E. Davis

White—13, 17, 21, 23, 26,
29, 32Black—1, 6, 9, 14, 15,
20, 24
Black to play and draw

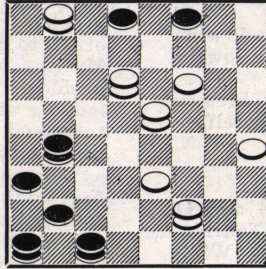
PROBLEM No. 495

By L. J. Vair

Black—1, 4, 5, 6,
Kings 9, 26White—15, 16, 21, 22, 25,
Kings 7, 11
White to play and win

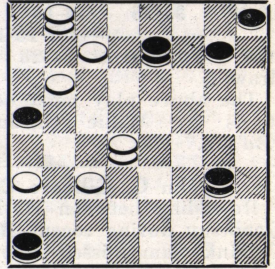
PROBLEM No. 496

By L. J. Vair

Black—2, 3, 21, 25,
Kings 17, 29, 30White—11, 20, 23, Kings
1, 10, 15, 27
White to play and win

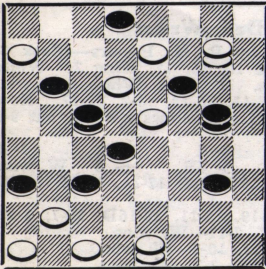
PROBLEM No. 497

By L. J. Vair

Black—4, 8, 13, Kings 7,
24, 29White—6, 9, 21, 22,
Kings 1, 18
White to play and win

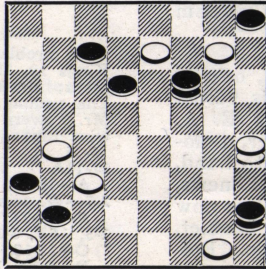
PROBLEM No. 498

By Bert Berry

Black—2, 9, 11, 18, 21, 22,
24, Kings 14, 16White—5, 7, 10, 15, 25, 29,
30, Kings 8, 31
Black to play and win

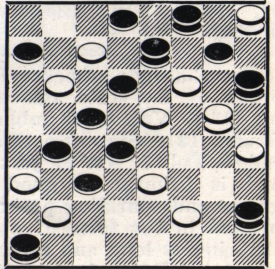
PROBLEM No. 499

By Bert Berry

Black—4, 6, 10, 21, 25,
Kings 11, 28White—7, 8, 17, 22, 32,
Kings 20, 29
White to play and win

PROBLEM No. 500

By Roy M. Allin

Black—2, 5, 8, 10, 14, 17,
18, 22, Kings 7, 12, 28, 29White—6, 9, 11, 15, 20, 21,
23, 25, 27, Kings 3, 4, 16
White to play and win

Beginners' Game Section

Smith's Corrections of the "British Draughts Player"

COMPILED AND EDITED BY FREDERICK F. SMITH
BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND

PART THREE

Game No. 361, "Ayrshire Lassie"

11-15 7-11 8-15 15-24 10-26
24-20 25-22 30-26 28-19C 31-22
9-14 11-15 4- 8 8-11 B11-16
22-18 22-18A 28-24 17-13 22-18
15-22 15-22 8-12 2- 7 7-10
25- 9 26-17 32-28 26-22 18-15
5-14 12-16 3- 8 14-17 10-14
29-25 20-11 24-19 21-14 B. wins
—L. S. Burrows, "Draughts World," Vol.
37, page 179, game 2476.

A—Mr. Burrows gives 22-17 to draw for White here, and further remarks that after the move in text White has the worst of it.

B—Wins for Black and corrects B. D. P., page 38, var. 8 at 7th move, where 7-10 is continued to a drawn result only.

C—27-20 draws here, gives White the easy way, and takes the sting from Mr. Burrows' remarks at note "A." Continue:

27-20* 6- 9* 26-22D 6-15 22-17
8-11E 17-13 10-15* 13- 6 15-19
23-19 2- 6* 19-10 1-10 17-13
—and White's draw is easy.—F. F. Smith.

D—If 26-23, 11-15, 31-26, 15-24, 28-19, 10-15, etc.—Drawn.—F. F. Smith.

E—6-9, 20-16F, 12-19, 23-16, 8-11, 16-7, 21-11, 17-13, 10-15, 13-6, 1-10, 26-22, etc.—Drawn.—F. F. Smith.

F—17-13, 2-7, 13-6, 14-18, 23-14, 10-17, 21-14, 1-17, 20-16, 12-19, 26-23, 19-26, 31-13, etc.—Drawn.—F. F. Smith.

Game No. 362, "Ayrshire Lassie"

(7-10 at 13th move)

11-15 28-24 15-18 A32-28 B19-15
24-20 4- 8 22-15 10-14
8-11 23-19 11-18

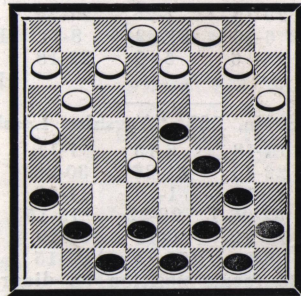
Now the "British Draughts Player," page 39, Variation 4 at 2, and incidentally all the standard works, play 7-11 to a drawn result, but has a satisfactory draw been shown for White, after 7-10?

A—26-22 is my choice.—F. F. Smith. J. Alexander, in the "Birmingham Weekly Post" for April 9th, 1910, says:—"Many experts prefer 32-28, Wyllie seldom playing anything else. Still, there is nothing in it."

B—This is Strickland's line, and the "British Draughts Player," page 39, variation 4 at 1, says: "This is the best line for White to follow." But the Third Scottish Tourney Book, Game No. 63, says: "Though given in the books as a

draw, we have always doubted its soundness. If Black replies with 7-10 there seems no valid defence." "Denvir's Lessons," page 47, says: "I have never found a satisfactory reply to 7-10," but gives no continuation. "Wyllie's Examples" gives 26-23, and a draw is shown on this line in the latest edition of "Lees' Guide" and other of the Standard Works. See diagram.

White—15, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.



Black—1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 18.

Black to play.

7-10	14-18-2	7-14	13-17C	6-15
25-22	30-25	28-24	31-26	19- 3
10-19	9-14-3	5- 9	3- 7-1	27-31
24-15	22-17	26-23	27-24	26-23
18-25	2- 7	9-13	18-27	Drawn
29-22	17-10	24-19	15-10	S.

Hudson

A—1-5, 20-16, 3-7, 16-11, 7-16, 15-10, 6-24, 27-4, 18-27, 31-24, etc.—Drawn—S. Hudson, Birmingham.

Var. 1

6-10	23-16	12-16	24-20	24-27
15- 6	8-12	11- 8	16-19	2- 7
1-10	16-11	3-12	11- 7	15-19
19-16	10-15	20-11	19-24	7-10
12-19	27-24	12-16	7- 2	Drawn

—S. Hudson.

Var. 2

2- 7D	5- 9	7-10	11-18	32-27
22-17	27-24	31-27	22-15	16-11
14-18F	7-11	18-23	23-27	27-23
17-13	26-22	27-18	20-16	Etc.
9-14	3- 7	14-23	27-32	Drawn
30-25	24-19	28-24	24-20	S.

Hudson.

D—9-13E, 22-17, 13-22, 26-10, 2-7, 27-23, 7-14, 30-26, 6-10, 15-6, 1-10, etc.—Drawn—S. Hudson.

E—3-7, 28-24, 14-18, 30-25, 7-10, 24-19, 10-14, 26-23, 9-13, 20-16, 2-7, 16-11 — Drawn—S. Hudson.

F—9-13, 17-10, 7-14, 27-23, 6-9, 23-19, 14-17, 21-14, 9-18, 26-23, 18-27, 31-24, 3-7, 31-26, 7-11—etc.—Drawn—S. Hudson.

Var. 3

2- 7-4	31-26	15-18	20-16	3-10
26-23	10-19	21-17	1- 6	27-24
9-14	17-10	8-11	25-21	10-14
22-17	6-15	17-13	6-10	Drawn
7-10	23-14	11-15	14- 7	S.

Hudson

Var. 4

3- 7-5	31-26	1- 6	24-20	12-19
26-23	10-19	27-24	15-18	22- 8
9-14	17-10	2- 7	28-24	6- 9
22-17	6-15	20-16	19-28	Drawn
7-10	23-14	8-11	26-22	S.

Hudson

Var. 5

9-13	23-14	1-26	27-23	7-10
26-23	6-10	31-22	8-11	Drawn
3- 7	15- 6	5- 9	22-18	S.

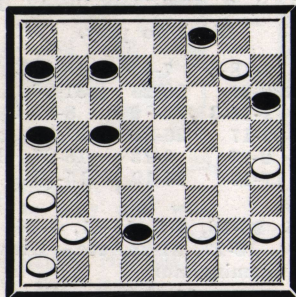
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Game No. 363, "Ayrshire Lassie"

11-15	15-18	6-10	7-11	2- 7
24-20	22-15	31-26	30-26	26-22
8-11	11-18	1- 6	11-18	8-11
28-24	32-28-1	26-22	19-15	5- 8
4- 8	10-14	9-13	10-19	7-10
23-19	26-23	22-15	24-15	22-15

and 10-26 forms position on diagram:

Black—3, 5, 6, 12, 13, 14, 26.



White—8, 20, 21, 25, 27, 28, 29.

White to play.

27-24*A	4- 8	24-20	29-25	17-14
26-30	23-16	17-22	26-30B	9-13
24-19	20-11	25-18	25-22	18-15
30-26	13-17	14-23	30-26	
8- 4	28-24	21-17	22-18	Etc.
26-23	5- 9	23-26	26-23C	Drawn

—Game 117, page 34, "The North American Checker Board," vol. 5.

A—Corrects the "British Draughts Player," page 40, 1st diagram at 6, where 8-4 is given and Black wins. Anderson drops it here as drawn. I cannot see any win for Black, but Mr. H. Spayth says a win.—R. A. Davis, (Woburn, Mass.).

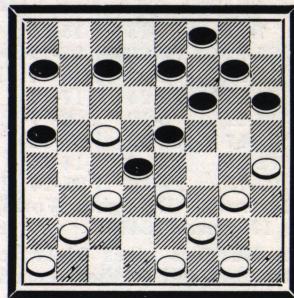
B—12-16, 11-7, 3-10, 20-11, 9-13, 25-22, 26-30, 8-3, etc.—Drawn.

C—9-13*, 17-14, 6-10*, 14-7, 3-10, etc.—Black wins.—F. F. Smith. This would seem to clear up the query of R. A. Davis in Note "A."

Var. 1

26-22	6-15	17-14	1- 6	9-13
10-15	21-17	2- 7	26-23	Forms
19-10	7-11	30-26		diagram

Black—3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18.



White—14, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29, 31, 32.

White to play.

32-28D	23-19	19-15	23-18	7- 2
13-17E	7-10	10-19	8-12	23-27
22-13	14- 7	24-15	15-11	31-24
18-22	3-10	5- 9	16-19	20-27
23-18	20-16F	27-23H	11- 7	2- 7
15-22	11-20	12-16	19-23	27-31

and 18-15G, etc.—W. wins—Game No. 903, "The People," July 23, 1911, by J. W. Cumden and T. Wrightson.

D—Corrects the "British Draughts Player," page 40, Exercise 10 at 22, where 23-19 is played to a drawn result only.

E—Can see nothing better.

F—This move places Black "hors de combat."

G—First published by Mr. Cumden and F. F. Smith in a Birmingham paper about two years ago.

H—Appendix to "Lees' Guide," page 404, continues with 15-10 to a White win, credited to J. Smith. Evidently Messrs. Cumden and Wrightson have failed to notice this. The play is given below.—F. F. Smith.

15-10	8-11	2- 7	15-19	7-11
6-15	6- 2	22-26	27-24	16-20
13- 6	11-16	31-22	20-27	11-16

—and 19-23, 16-19, etc.—White wins.—J. Smith.

(End of Part 3)

Erratum

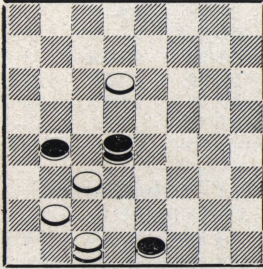
A clerical error appeared in game 336, "Dyke," in Feb. issue. Note "C" springs from 29th move (2-7) of trunk. Note "D" springs from first move of fourth column (32-28) in trunk.

Problems for the Advanced Players

PROBLEM No. 501

By P. Horner

White—8, 11, 23,
King 3

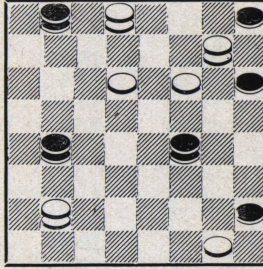


Black—2, 16,
King 15
Black to play and draw

PROBLEM No. 502

By L. J. Vair

Black—4, 12, 28,
Kings 1, 17, 19

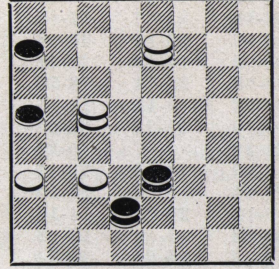


White—10, 11, 32,
Kings 2, 8, 25
White to play and win

PROBLEM No. 503

By Chris Nelson

Black—5, 13, Kings
23, 26

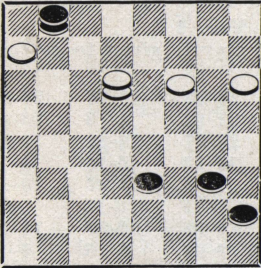


White—21, 22, Kings
7, 14
White to play and draw

PROBLEM No. 504

By C. A. Woodard

White—21, 22, 28,
King 23

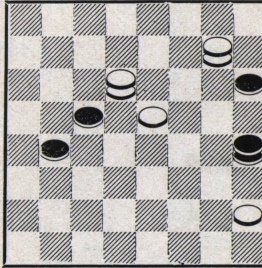


Black—5, 9, 10,
King 32
Black to play and draw

PROBLEM No. 505

By C. A. Woodard

Black—12, 14, 17,
King 20

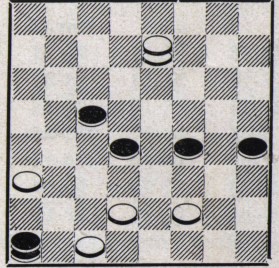


White—15, 28, Kings
8, 10
White to play and win

PROBLEM No. 506

By C. A. Woodard

Black—14, 18, 19, 20,
King 29

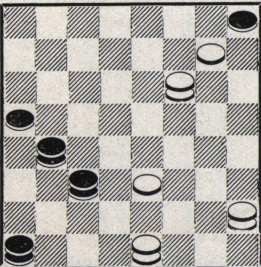


White—21, 26, 27, 30,
King 7
White to play and win

PROBLEM No. 507

By L. J. Vair

Black—4, 13, Kings 17,
22, 29

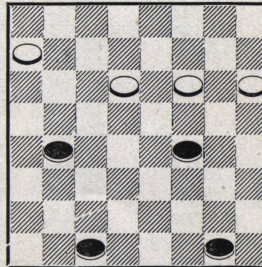


White—8, 23, Kings 11,
28, 31
White to play and win

PROBLEM No. 508

By Willard E. Davis

White—21, 22, 23,
28

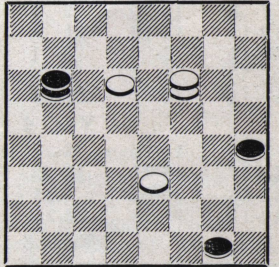


Black—1, 3, 14,
16
Black to play and draw

PROBLEM No. 509

By Jack Gordon

White—10, 23,
King 22



Black—1, 13,
King 24
Black to play and draw

Advanced Players' Game Section

Game No. 364, "Single Corner"

By J. A. Finn

11-15	18-15	10-28	25-22	31-26
22-18	11-18	7- 2	11-15	5- 1
15-22	26-22	6-10	12-16	26-22
25-18	1- 5	2- 7	28-32	8-11
8-11	22-15	10-14	16-12	22-18
29-25	14-18	7-11	32-27	30-25
4- 8	23-14	28-32	12-16	5-10-14
25-22	9-18	11-15	27-31	11- 7
12-16	31-26	32-23	16-12	6-23-19
24-19	3- 7	15-22	23-27	25-30
16-20	24-19	23-19	30-26	13-17
28-24	2- 6	22-26	15-19	1- 6
8-12	26-22	14-18	26-30	18-15
32-28	5- 9	12- 8	27-32-1	7-10
10-15	28-24	20-24	22-18	14- 7
19-10	7-10	8- 3	32-27	21-14
7-14	15-11	24-28	18-14	7- 2
30-25	9-14	3- 8	27-23	6- 9
9-13	22-15	19-15	14- 9	19-23
18- 9	14-18	8-12	19-15	9-13
5-14	11- 7	15-11	12- 8	23-18
22-18	12-16	26-30	15-10-2	14- 9
6- 9	19-12	18-23	9- 5	15-10

—and 9-5—Drawn—J. A. Finn, Pittsburg, Pa., 12-28-'25.

Var. 1

19-23	3- 7	24-20	10-14	15-10
12- 8	24-19	25-30	19-16	9- 5
27-32	7-10	20-16	30-25	7- 3
8- 3	32-27	30-25	16-11	5- 9
31-27	25-30	16-11	25-30	10-15
30-25	27-24	25-30	11- 7	30-25
27-24	30-25	11-15	14- 9	Drawn

—Alfred Jordan, Yorkshire Post, 1911.

Var. 2

31-26	30-25	23-19	7- 3-4	15- 8
9- 6	15-10	25-30	13-17	3-12
26-22	8-11	19-15	2- 7	18-22
6- 2	10-14-3	30-26	10-15	26-23
22-18	11- 7	15-10	7-11	Drawn

—12-28-'25.

Var. 3

10- 7	11-16	7- 2	30-26	13-17
11-16	18-22	9-14	1- 6	1- 5
7- 3	16-20	2- 6	5- 1	18-22
16-11	15-19	14- 9	6-10	26-31
23-19	2- 6	6- 1	1- 5	Drawn
25-30	3- 7	9- 5	10-14	
19-15	6- 9	22-18	5- 1	

Var. 4

7-11	16-20	2- 7	11- 8	20-16
13-17	15-19	17-22	25-29	19-15
11-16	26-31	7-11	8-12	16-20
10-15	18-23	22-25	29-25	Drawn

Var. 5

23-19	19-23	25-22	26-23	18-15
25-22	15- 6	1- 5	9- 5	10-14
18-25	23-18	22-26	23-19	Drawn
11-15	6-10	5- 9	5- 9	

Var. 6

13-17	10-17	29-25	21-17	17-14
1- 6	23-19	17-14	25-21	6- 2
17-22-7	7-10	19-23	17-13	Drawn
6-10	18-15	14- 9	21-17	
22-29	10- 6	23-18	9- 5	

Var. 7

23-26	17-22	18-22	23-18	29-25
7-11	6-10	17-26	17-13	11-15
26-30	22-29	30-23	18-14	25-30
11- 7	10-17	21-17	7-11	15-19

—Drawn

Game No. 365, "Dundee Barred"

By J. A. Finn

12-16	18-14	9-18	21-17	7-14
23-19	9-18	23-14	1- 6	9- 6
16-23	23-14	11-16	25-21	2- 9
27-18	10-17	22-17	6-10	13- 6
11-16	21-14	15-18	13- 9	26-30
26-23	11-15	31-26	18-22	6- 2
16-20	25-21	7-11	17-13	30-26
32-27	8-11-1	26-23	10-17	B. wins
8-11	26-23	11-15	21-14	
30-26	6- 9	17-13	22-26	
4- 8	29-25	3- 7	14-10	

—James A. Finn, Pittsburg, Pa., 3-15-'26.

Var. 1

The foregoing play is given to correct Variation 1.

6- 9	18-27	18-23	10-15	24-20
29-25	31-24	21-17	1- 6	15-11
9-18	8-11	23-27	15-18	7-10
24-19	25-22	17-13	6-10	5- 1
15-24	5- 9	27-32	18-22	10-14
22-15	22-18	5- 1	16-12	1- 6
7-11	1- 6	6-10	23-27	14-17
28-19	19-15	24-19	9- 5	6- 2
11-18	9-14	32-27	27-32	17-22
26-23	18- 9	13- 9	20-16	11- 7
20-24	11-18	27-24	2- 7	3-10
27-20	9- 5	19-16	10-15	2- 6

Drawn (?)

—A. Jordan vs. R. D. Banks, Game No. 152, Seattle Union Record, Nov. 10, 1923.

Game No. 366, "Single Corner"

By F. W. Slade, England.

11-15	28-24	12-19	25-21-1	9-13
22-18	8-11	23-16	17-22	11- 7
15-22	30-25	1- 5	26-17	2-11
25-18	10-14	24-19	13-22	16- 7
12-16	32-28	7-10	8- 3	13-17
29-25	4- 8	15-11	7-10	21-14
9-13	19-16A	3- 7	3- 8C	10-17
25-22	8-12-2	11- 8	22-25	Drawn
16-20	18-15B	14-17	16-11	
24-19	11-18	21-14	25-30	
5- 9	22-15	10-17	19-16	

—F. W. Slade vs. T. Wood, 1908.

A—18-15 at once makes a very interesting game.

B—Note the trap here by 24-19, 20-24,

27-20, 6-10, etc.—B. wins.

C—16-11, 22-25, 19-16, 25-30, 11-7, 2-11, 16-7, 10-14, 3-8, 14-17, 21-14, 9-18, 7-3, 18-22—Drawn—F. W. Slade vs. T. Wood.

Var. 1

8-3	21-25	31-22	10-19	16-12
7-10	7-2	14-17	23-16	30-26
3-7	10-14	2-7	9-14	D12-8
2-11	26-23	17-26	18-9	Drawn
16-7	25-30	7-11	5-14	
17-21	22-18	6-10	11-15	
25-22	30-26	19-15	26-30	

—F. W. Slade vs. D. Hormusgee.

D—Played by correspondence in 1907.

Var. 2

1-5E	26-22	8-15	31-24	9-14
24-19	14-18	19-3	32-27	8-4
8-12	23-14	12-28	24-20	2-6
18-15	9-18	22-15	27-23	3-7
11-18	28-24-3	28-32	15-11	Drawn
22-15	6-9F	27-24	23-18	
3-8	15-11	20-27	11-8	

—F. Slade vs. T. Wood.

E—Finding my opponent so well posted, I thought I would try him with this.

F—The position is now a very interesting one. P. Ketchum has shown a draw by 5-9, the play being somewhat similar to above.

Var. 3

27-24	5-9G	10-6	15-18	10-7
20-27	28-24	23-27	22-15	25-22
31-24	18-23	6-1	9-14	7-3
7-11	15-10H	27-31	10-17	8-11
16-7	6-15	1-6	13-29	3-8
2-11	19-10	31-27	15-10	11-16
24-20	11-15	6-10	29-25	Drawn

—F. W. Slade vs. L. McGowan.

G—J. L. Richmond goes 6-9 here; but I think 5-9 is a little stronger.

H—22-18, 23-27, 25-22, 27-32, 15-10, 6-15, 19-10, 32-28, 24-19, 28-24, 19-15, 9-14—B. wins.—F. W. Slade.

Game No. 367, "Paisley"

By J. A. Finn

11-16	21-14	23-26?	7-11	26-23
24-19	10-26	30-23	16-19?	15-10
9-14	31-22	12-16	23-16	20-24
22-17	8-11?	32-28	15-18	19-15
8-11	22-18	7-11	11-15	23-18
25-22	6-10?	28-24	18-22	16-11
16-20	29-25	11-15	15-18	24-27
22-18	11-15?	14-10	26-30	10-7
4-8	18-11	2-6	18-25	27-31
18-9	7-16	13-9	30-21	7-2
5-14	25-21*	6-13	24-19	1-5
26-22?	3-7?	10-7	21-17	2-6
11-15	23-18	13-17?	19-15	31-27
17-13?	16-23	7-3	17-22?	15-10
15-24	18-14	17-22?	27-23	Drawn
28-19	10-17	3-7	22-26	
14-17?	21-14	22-26	23-19	

Has Mr. F. Tescheleit, London, Eng., any play in his Ms. on the foregoing game; can he give any information on it?

Game No. 368, "White Doctor"

By J. A. Finn

11-16	6-10	12-19	10-15	15-24
22-18	29-25	13-6	27-23	10-6
10-14	11-15	7-14	* 8-12-1A	16-20
25-22	22-17	20-16	16-11-3	21-17
8-11	15-24	1-10	7-16	13-22
24-20	28-19	25-22	22-17-4	26-17
16-19	4-8	5-9	9-13	24-27
23-16	17-13	30-26	17-10	31-24
14-23	10-15	2-7	19-24-6	20-27
26-19	19-10	32-28	28-19	23-18

—Drawn—J. A. Finn.

A—Corrects "Revised Lees' Guide," page 173, var. 2, 22nd move, where 8-11 allows White to win.—2-6-26—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Var. 1

8-11	11-16-2	3-12	15-22	19-26
16-12B	12-8	22-18	26-3	31-22

—W. wins.—J. A. Finn.

B—Corrects "Revised Lees' Guide," page 173, var. 2, 23rd move, where 22-17 allows Black to draw.

Var. 2

9-13	11-20	3-12	13-22	26-3
23-16	12-8	22-17		W. wins

Var. 3

22-18	31-22	22-18	10-6	14-10
15-22	9-13	14-17	31-27	13-17
26-10	28-24	21-14	6-1	1-6
7-14	12-16	23-27	27-23	19-16
16-11	24-19	14-10	18-14	11-7
19-26	16-23	27-31	23-19	3-8

—Drawn—J. A. Finn.

Var. 4

22-18	10-6	6-10	21-17	10-7
15-22	3-8	14-18	30-26	23-19
26-10	6-1	10-19	17-14	15-24
19-26	8-11	18-25	26-23	20-27
31-22	1-6	19-15-5	14-10	28-24
9-14	11-15	25-30	16-20	12-16

—Drawn—J. A. Finn.

Var. 5

19-24	30-26	13-9	18-15	24-27
25-30	17-13	22-18	6-2	16-19
21-17	26-22	9-6	15-10	Drawn

—J. A. Finn.

Var. 6

15-18	9-6	16-19	31-24	23-18
23-14	25-22	11-16	28-32	11-7
19-24	6-2	19-24	24-19	3-8
28-19	22-18	16-19	32-27	7-3
16-30	2-7	24-28	19-15	8-12
14-9	12-16	19-23	27-23	10-7
30-25	7-11	18-27	15-11	Drawn

—J. A. Finn.

Ebert vs. Langan

John Langan, formerly of Boston, and now a resident of Detroit, has challenged Edward E. Ebert to a 20-game match for the match championship of Michigan, which title Mr. Ebert holds. Ebert has accepted the challenge and a hot battle can be looked for at Detroit in the near future.

Game No. 369, "Bristol Cross"

The following two games were played at Bristol, England, December, 1919, between C. H. Hollow, Michigan champion, (formerly of Plymouth, England), and J. A. Kear, Jr., of Bristol.

Black—Hollow			White—Kear		
11-16	24-19	6-22	29-25	15-19	
23-18	11-15	30-26	16-19	13- 9	
8-11	26-23	11-15	25-22	19-23	
18-14	15-24	26-17	19-24	27-18	
9-18	28-19	5- 9	21-17	7-10	
22- 8	7-11	17-14	3- 7	14- 7	
4-11	22-18	9-18	17-13	5-23	
25-22	10-15	23-14	1- 5	28-19	
16-20	19-10	12-16	32-28	Drawn	
Black—Kear			White—Hollow		
11-16	32-27	9-14	15- 6	11-16	
23-18	3- 7	25-22	2- 9	26-23	
16-19	21-17	7-10	24-15	19-26	
24-15	12-16	27-24	13-17	30-23	
10-19	18-14	16-20	22- 6	4- 8	
27-24	9-18	13- 9	1-19	28-24	
7-10	22-15	20-27	29-25	8-12	
24-15	5- 9	31-24	8-11	22-18	
10-19	17-13	6-13	25-22	Drawn	

Game No. 370, "Single Corner"

By P. H. Ketchum

This was game No. 92 in the Pittsburg Dispatch, published during the time Hugh Henderson was conducting the Dispatch column.

11-15	10-19	1- 5-2	23-18	18- 9	
22-18	24-15	25-22	11- 8	16-11	
15-22	2- 7	6-10	25-29	22-18	
25-18	16-12B	4- 8	8- 4	F31-26	
12-16	9-13	10-14	29-25	9-13	
29-25	25-22	22-18	4- 8	10- 6	
10-14	14-18	13-17I	25-22	13-17	
24-19	30-25C	8-11	8-11	6- 1	
16-20	5- 9	17-22	20-24	28-32	
28-24	28-24D	18-15	11- 8	20-24	
8-12	8-11-3	14-18E	24-28	17-21	
18-15A	15- 8	23-14	8-11	1- 6	
7-10-4	7-10	32-23	28-32	18-14	
32-28	22-15	14-10	16-20	11- 7	
4- 8	10-28	9-13	32-28	3-10	
19-16	8- 4	11-16	11-16	6-15	
12-19	28-32	22-25	13-17	Drawn	
23-16	26-23	15-11	21-14		

A—This is the weakest move on the board, still it is occasionally played.

B—25-22, 14-18, 30-25, 8-12, 15-11, 12-19, 11-2, 18-23—B. wins—H. Henderson.

C—In the Dispatch game this position was brought up from the Flora Temple.

D—26-23, 1-5, 23-14, 9-18, 28-24, 8-11, 15-8, 7-10, 22-15, 10-28—B. wins—Dr. A. Schaefer.

E—In game No. 43, Los Angeles Times, 9-13, 11-16, 22-25, 15-11 was played and Black won. Mr. J. Jack showed that 16-11 in place of White's last move followed by 14-18, 23-14, 32-23, 14-10, gives White an easy draw.

F—This was given to correct a previous game in the Dispatch, where Henderson played 20-16, 28-24—Black wins.

Var. 1

J. T. Washington of San Francisco, in the Eureka Checker Player, varies here and draws as follows:

32-28	13-17G	23-16	9-18	10-15
8-11	15-10	14-32	31-26	18-23
28-24	24-19	21-14	32-27	Drawn
11-15				

G—A critic suggested 3-7 as a stronger move here, but J. Dougherty continued 15-10H, 7-11, 10-17, 13-22, 18-14, 9-18, 23-14—Drawn.

H—J. Jack varied with 21-17, 14-21, 12-8, 7-11, 8-3, 11-16, 3-8—Drawn.

Var. 2

J. P. Reed beat C. F. Barker in one of their matches by this play:

9-14	28-24	22-26	31-27	23-26
25-22I	18-15	31-22	23-18	B. wins
6- 9	13-17	24-31	14-23	
4- 8	15-10	11-16	17-13	
32-28	17-22	20-24	9-14	
22-18	8-11	22-17	16-19	

I—Bert Titus draws here by 23-18, 14-23, 27-18, 20-24, 18-14.

Var. 3

This variation was published many years ago by A. J. Heffner, we believe to correct Schaefer and Kelly's Single Corner.

7-11	6-15	5- 9	3-10	14-32
26-23	23-19	22-15	12- 3	3- 7
9-14	1- 5	11-18	18-22	Drawn
15-10	19-10	10- 7	25-18	

Var. 4

4- 8-5	8-11	7-11	3-10	6-15
15-10	25-22	26-22	24-19	30-26
6-15	11-16	2- 6	10-15	Drawn
19-10	22-18	10- 7	19-10	

—H. Henderson.

Var. 5

From the Pittsburg Dispatch.

Black, John Armour. White, Charles Hefter.

14-18	30-26	7-11	26-22	15-19
23-14	5- 9	19-15	8-11J	17-10
9-18	26-23	11-16	15- 8	19-26
26-23	9-14	24-19	10-15	10- 6
6- 9	31-26	2- 6	19-10	1-10
23-14	4- 8	10- 7	6-15	27-24
9-18	15-10	3-10	22-17	W. wins

J—Black missed a pretty win here by 1-5, 22-17, 6-9, 15-6, 8-11, 17-10, 11-15—Charles Hefter.

Matty Priest Still at It.

According to recent reports, Matty Priest, the veteran expert and former champion of America, is still as active as ever in checker circles. Mr. Priest has recently finished a series of games with George O'Brien, winner of the 1925 Tourists' Tourney at Cedar Point. It was a ten-game match, Mr. Priest winning by the score of 4 to 0 and 6 draws.

Game No. 371, "Second Double Corner"

The following two games were played between J. T. Bradford and Fred O'Melay, at Detroit Checker Club, Aug. 20, 1925.

Black—O'Melay**White—Bradford**

11-15	8-11	12-16	31-27	17-22
24-19	18- 9	24-20	7- 2	7-11
15-24	6-13	2- 6	27-23	22-26
28-19	29-25	20-11	18-14	1- 5
8-11	11-15	6-15	23-19	13-17
22-18	27-24	23-18	14- 9	5- 9
9-14	7-11	15-19	*19-23	17-22
18- 9	25-22	18-14	2- 7	9-13
5-14	11-16	17-21C	* 1- 5	23-18
25-22	21-17	14-10	9- 6	30-23
11-15	16-20	19-24	5- 9	18-27
32-28	17-14B	11- 7	6- 1	11-16
15-24	10-17	24-27	9-14	D21-25
28-19	19-10	26-23	22-18	Drawn
4- 8A	20-27	27-31	14-17	
22-18	31-24	23-18	18-14	

A—7-11 is perhaps stronger.

B—31-27 will draw, but text is better.

C—19-24 is stronger, but text is safe enough when known.

D—An interesting and instructive game.

Game No. 372, "2nd Double Corner"**Black—Bradford****White—O'Melay**

11-15	27-18	6-10A	15-11	22-26
24-19	12-16	30-26	6- 9	18-15
15-24	26-23	10-17	19-16	26-31
28-19	4- 8	21-14	12-19	27-23
8-11	31-27	7-10	23-16	31-27
22-18	8-12	14- 7	14-17	23-19
11-16	27-24	3-10	21-14	27-23
18-14	16-20	25-21	9-18	7- 2
9-18	32-27	9-13	11- 7	20-24
23-14	6- 9	24-19	13-17	15-10
10-17	25-21	2- 6	26-23	23-18
21-14	1- 6	18-15B	18-22	2- 6
16-23	29-25	10-14	23-18	24-28

—and 16-12—Drawn

A—7-11 is more usual.

B—The saving move for the draw.

Game No. 373, "2nd Double Corner"

By Fred O'Melay

11-15	16-23	3-26	9-14	10-14
24-19	27-18	30-23	29-25	18-15
15-24	12-16	5- 9	11-16A	31-27
28-19	26-23	18-15	27-23	D* 9- 6
8-11	4- 8	6-10	16-20	27-23
22-18	31-27	15- 6	25-21B	6- 2
11-16	8-12	1-10	20-24	23-16
18-14	27-24	23-19	22-18	15-11
9-18	16-19	2- 7	24-27	16- 7
23-14	24-15	25-22	18- 9	2-11
10-17	7-10	7-11	27-31C	14-18
21-14	14- 7	32-27	23-18	11-15

—then 18-23, 15-19—W. wins by "1st Position."

A—Given by Joseph Brown to draw, in game 683, var. 2, in Boston Globe.

B—Corrects game 683, var. 2, at 4th move, where 22-18 is given and Black draws.

C—If 10-14, *9-6, 27-32, 6-2, 32-27, 2-6, 27-18, 6-9—W. wins.

D—The key to the ending.

Game No. 374, "Double Lassie"

By the "Bo'sun"

9-14	9-18	16-19	30-26	24-28
24-20	30-26	23-16	22-17	16-11
5- 9	3- 7	12-19	26-22	7-16
22-18	A17-14	17-13	12- 8	14- 7
10-15	6-10	19-23	22-15	2-11
28-24	21-17	24-19	8- 3	3- 8
15-22	18-22	15-24	15-10	28-32
26-10	27-23	28-19	31-26	8-15
7-14	10-15	23-26	11-15	32-28
25-22	23-18	19-16	26-22	15-11
1- 5	12-16	26-30	15-19	B16-19
22-17	26-23	16-12	22-18	
14-18	8-12	22-25	19-24	
23-14	32-28	29-22	20-16	

The "Bo'sun" vs. the "Skipper" of the "Mary Ann."

A—The big sailing chart gives 26-22 or 32-28 here.

B—It was time to change watch and a draw was agreed on, but the "Skipper" thinks White could win the ending and said to send the game to the Captain at Detroit for publication and find out if White can win.

Game No. 375, "Kelso Choice"

By the "Bo'sun"

10-15	11-18	15-19	12-19	18-23
22-17	29-25	26-23	A14-10	3- 7
11-16	8-11	19-26	19-23	23-27
17-14	28-24	28-19	27-24	31-24
9-18	11-15	11-16	23-27	28-19
23-14	24-20	20-11	10- 7	25-21
8-11	16-19	3- 7	2-11	19-15
21-17	17-13	30-23	15- 8	20-16
4- 8	19-24	7-16	27-32	15-11
25-21	21-17	19-15	24-20	7- 2
15-19	7-11	16-19	32-28	W. wins
24-15	32-28	23-16	8- 3	

A—In a game, Alexander vs. Ward, 15-11 was starred here and only drew. This seems an improvement.

Game No. 376, "Cross"

The following interesting game shows how the late F. E. Potts, champion of D. C., defeated H. N. Pillsbury, the celebrated chess master.

Black—Pillsbury		White—Potts	
11-15	22-17	7-11	28-24
23-18	15-18	17-14	6-10
8-11	25-22	10-17	15- 6
27-23	18-25	21-14	1-17
4- 8	29-22	11-16	26-22
23-19	14-18	19-15	18-25
9-14	22-15	16-20	30-14
18- 9	11-18	24-19	8-11
5-14	32-27	3- 7	27-23

W. wins

Game No. 377, "Bristol Single"

By J. A. Finn

11-16	25-22	9-14-2	25-21	30-25
22-18	1- 6	18- 9	17-22	1- 6
16-19	29-25	13-17	21-17	25-22
23-16	8-12	21-14	12-16	6- 2
12-19	18-15	6-13	17-14	22-18
24-15	4- 8	15- 6	22-26	2-11
10-19	27-24	2-18	30-23	19-23
27-24	9-13	31-27	19-26	11-16
7-10	24-20	8-11	14- 9	23-32
24-15	3- 7	26-22	26-30	Drawn
10-19	20-16	11-20	9- 5	J. A.
32-27	5- 9	22-15	16-19	Finn
6-10	22-18-1	13-17	5- 1	1-8-26

Var. 1

31-27	14-21	22-13	2-18	26-22
9-14	27-24	7-11	24-15	18-23
21-17	13-17	16- 7	10-19	B. wins

—Miss Emma Haskins beat James Wyllie at Bronson, Mich., Jan. 22, 1882.

Var. 2

10-14	5- 9	32-27	8- 3	19-24
25-22	12-19	30-25	2- 6	15-19
14-23	9-14	8-12	3- 8	23-16
15-10	23-27	19-23	6-10	20-11
7-14-3	14-10	27-18	21-17	24-27
22-17	27-31	22-15	15-19	17-14
13-22	10-15	31-27	8-11	27-31
26- 1	19-23	25-22	19-23	14-10
9-13	15-19	27-23	11- 7	31-26
1- 5	23-27	15-11	10-15	22-18
23-26	28-24	23-19	7-10	26-23
31-22	27-32	11- 8	15-19	18-15
19-23	24-20	19-15	10-15	Drawn

J. A. Finn—1-8-26.

Var. 3

6-15	28-32	2- 7	24-27	23-14
28-24	12-16	22-18	31-24	11- 7
19-28	19-24	7-11	28-19	W. wins
26- 3	16-19	26-22	12- 8	J. A.
12-19	32-28	11-16	19-23	Finn
3-12	30-26	19-12	8-11	

(Note:—Var. 1 is from Turf, Field and Farm—game No. 1998—J. A. Finn.)

Game No. 378, "Cross"

Contributed by Ivan Powers

The following play is given to show improvements on game 41, Dec. Checkerist, Mundelle vs. Potts.

11-15	22-18	9-13	28-24	22-17
23-18	12-16	17-14	31-27	6- 2
8-11	18- 9-1	10-17	24-20	10-14
27-23	6-22	21-14	27-31A	2- 7
4- 8	25-18	13-17	20-16B	3-10
23-19	16-20	19-15	31-26	12- 3
9-14	29-25	17-22	15-10-2	10-15
18- 9	20-27	24-19	7-14	16-11
5-14	31-24	22-26	9- 6	15-18
22-17	2- 6	14- 9	1-10	11- 8
15-18	25-22	11-16	18- 9	Drawn
26-22	6- 9	19-12	26-22	
18-23	22-17	26-31	9- 6	

Denvir vs. Robinson.

A—Ketchum's Manual plays 27-24 here and White can win.

B—Same now as var. 7, 4th move, M. S. C. game 41, which gives 18-14, 31-26, 32-27 to draw.

Var. 1

19-12	21-17	27-24	29-25	17-10
10-15	11-15	22-26	27-23	C23-18
18- 9	24-20	32-27	25-21	
6-22	15-18	23-32	11-15	
25-18	31-27	30-14	14-10	
15-22	8-11	32-27	7-14	

C—Black should win. Note C of game 41 is untenable as shown by McDougal. After 28-24, play 15-18, 31-27D, 22-26, 32-28, 23-32, 30-14, 32-27, now same as T. Quinlan's play in Feb. issue p. 32.

D—17-13 may be better.

Var. 2

9- 5	9- 6	6-10	23-18	9- 6
26-31	1-10	17-21	27-23	25-30
15-10	5- 1	32-27	18-14	6- 2
7-14	10-14	23-32	23-18	30-26
18- 9	1- 6	30-23	14- 9	2- 6
31-26	14-17	32-27	21-25	26-22

Drawn—P. H. Ketchum.

Note H of game 41 should read B. wins. I will give a year's subscription to M. S. C. to the first one showing a sound White draw after the 19-12 "take" as in var. 1, this game—Ivan Powers, Cuba, N. Y.

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SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS IN THIS ISSUE (BEGINNERS)

No. 492, by W. E. Davis				
19-24	16-11	10-6	14-18	26-31
28-19	9-5	5-1	1-6	15-18
23-16	11-7	6-9	18-23	31-27
2-9	5-1	1-5	6-10	18-22
5-14	7-10	9-13	23-26	27-23
13-9	1-5	5-1	10-15	21-17
and 13-9—B. wins by "1st Position"				
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No. 493, by W. E. Davis				
10-15	9-6	32-27*	17-14	19-26
6-9	27-32*	10-17	31-22	30-23
15-18	6-10	27-31	14-23	16-19
—B. wins.				
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No. 494, by W. E. Davis				
15-18A	6-15	24-27	15-19	31-26
17-10	13-6	26-22	18-15	22-17
18-27	1-10	27-31	10-14	26-22
32-23	21-17	23-18	17-10	Drawn
A—24-27, 17-10, 27-31, 26-22, 9-14, 23-19*, 15-24, 32-28—W. wins.				
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No. 495, by L. J. Vair				
21-17A	30-21	15-10	1-10	16-11
26-30	22-17	6-15	11-9	10-15
17-13	21-14	13-6	5-14	7-10
—W. wins by First Position play.				

A—If 22-18, then 26-22 draws; if 22-17, then 9-13 draws.

No. 496, by L. J. Vair				
27-31	3-12	12-26	22- 6	2- 6
17-22A	20-16	15-18	1-10	10- 1
11- 8				W. wins

No. 497, by L. J. Vair				
22-17	29-22	22-13	13- 6	8-15
13-22	21-17	6- 2	2-11	1-28
18-25	W. wins			

No. 498, by Bert Berry				
24-27	25-18	2-6	15-6	16-20
31-24	23-26	10-1	9-14	8-15
18-23	30-23	14-10	18-9	20-2
B. wins				
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No. 499, by Bert Berry				
7-2	11-2	20-24	19-26	13-6
6-9	32-27	28-19	17-13	2-9
2-7	4-11	27-23	26-17	29-8
W. wins				
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No. 500, by Roy M. Allin				
16-19	27-24	21-14	19-26	26-22
7-16	18-27	10-17	2-9	17-26
4-11	25-18	3-10	20-16	10-17
16-7	14-23	5-14	28-19	19-10
and 17-13—W. wins.				
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(ADVANCED)

No. 501, by P. Horner				
15-19-1	18-14	23-18	7-10B	18-22
23-18	2-6	14-10	16-19	10-14
19-23	3-7	6-15A	8-3	Drawn
A—11-7, 18-22, 10-14, 23-26, 14-10, 26-22, 7-3, 15-18—Drawn.				
B—18-23, 3-8, 23-27, 8-12, 27-24, 12-16—W. wins.				
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Var. 1				
18-15	15-10	8-4D	10-7	4-8
23-19C	16-20	19-16	16-12	Drawn
C—19-15, 10-6, 2-9, 8-4, 15-8, 4-20—W. wins.				
D—3-7, 16-12, 7-3, 12-16—Drawn.				
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No. 502, by L. J. Vair				
10-6	11-7	21-23	32-27*	26-23
1-10	4-11	12-16	28-32	W. wins
2-7	25-21	23-26	27-24*	
10-3	3-10	16-19	19-28	
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No. 503, by Chris. Nelson				
21-17	7-11	22-18	10-6	18-14
26-30	26-31	26-22C	22-17	17-22
14-10	17-14	11-15	14-10	15-18
23-26A	31-26	30-26	26-23	Drawn
* * *				

Var. A				
23-19B	30-26	24-19	23-26	14-10
17-14	10-6	11-7	9-13	Etc.
19-24	26-23	13-17	17-21	Drawn
22-18	7-11	6-9		
B—30-25, 10-6, 25-18, 7-10, 13-22, 6-9—Drawn.				
C—26-23, 10-6, 23-9, 11-7, 19-23, 7-11—Drawn.				
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No. 504, by C. A. Woodard				
9-13	24-19	28-24	11-8	14-18
28-24	*5-9A	16-11	10-15*	Drawn
32-28B	19-16	9-14*	23-19	
* * *				

Var. A				
28-24	18-11	10-15	22-18	23-26
23-18	5-9	7-10	19-23	14-5
24-15	11-7	15-19	10-14	W. wins
* * *				

Var. B				
10-15	32-28	14-17	25-30	25-30
21-17	14-10	23-16	7-11	18-23
32-28	5-9	17-21	30-25	W. wins
24-20	10-7	26-23	11-18	
28-32	9-14	21-25	28-24	
17-14	7-2	2-7	23-26	
* * *				

No. 505, by C. A. Woodard				
*8-11-1	*11-8-2	15-19	3-7	6-9
12-16	14-18	27-32	20-24	24-20
*11-7	10-15	10-15	7-2	9-14
16-19	17-22	20-24	24-20	W. wins
15-11	7-10	8-3	2-6	
19-23	23-17	24-20	20-24	
* * *				

Var. 1				
8-3	16-19	11-8	16-20	Drawn
20-16	15-11	14-18	10-14	
3-7	12-16	7-11	19-16	
* * *				

Var. 2				
10-15	26-30	8-3	23-19	7-10
23-26	11-8	26-23	15-24	27-23
15-10-3	30-26	10-15	20-27	Drawn
* * *				

Var. 3				
7-10	28-19	10-17	17-26	Drawn
20-24	17-22	26-30	30-7	
* * *				

No. 506, by C. A. Woodard				
7-11	10-26	26-31	24-19	24-27
19-24	20-24	32-28	28-32	28-32
11-7	21-17	31-27	13-9	27-31
24-31	24-28	28-32	18-22	W. wins
7-10	17-13	27-24	19-24	
31-22	28-32	32-28	32-28	
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No. 507, by L. J. Vair				
23-18	17-26	22-15	22-25D	17-21
22-15	31-22	13-17B	14-17	W. wins
11-18	11-15	15-10	25-30	a la "The
4-11	28-24	17-22C	24-27	American"
18-22	15-18A	10-14	30-25	
* * *				

A—Best.
B—If 29-25, then 15-18 wins.
C—If 17-21 or 29-25, then 10-14 wins.
D—If 22-26 or 29-25, then 24-19 wins.

No. 508, by W. E. Davis				
1-6	6-9	20-24	27-31	27-24
28-24	18-15	19-16	10-3	Etc.
3-7	16-20	24-27	31-27	Drawn
22-18A	24-19	15-10	23-19	
* * *				

A—22-17B, 6-10 (7-10, 24-20, 6-9, 20-11, 9-13, 11-7, 13-22, 23-19, 14-18, 21-17, W. wins) 24-19, 14-18*, (16-20, 19-16, 20-24, 23-19, 14-18, 17-14, etc., W. wins.), 19-12, 18-27, 12-8, 27-31, 8-3, 31-27, 17-13, 27-24, 13-9, 24-20, 9-6, 7-11, etc.—Drawn.

B—24-19, 14-18*, (16-20, 19-15, 20-24, 22-17, 7-10, 15-11, 24-27, 11-7C, 27-31, 7-2, 6-9, 2-6, 9-13D, 6-15, 13-22, 15-10, W. wins), 22-15, 7-10, 19-12, 10-26—Drawn.

C—23-19 also wins: 23-19, 14-18, 11-7, 18-23, 7-2, 6-9, 17-13, 9-14, 2-6—W. wins.

D—31-27 (31-26, 6-13, 26-19, 13-9, 14-18, 9-14, W. wins), 6-13, 27-18, 13-9—W. wins.—W. E. D.

No. 509, by Jack Gordon				
1-5*	23-18	9-14	6-2	31-26
10-6	5-9*	15-10	14-17	2-6
24-27*	18-15	27-31	22-18	26-30
—Drawn				
* * *				

CHess CHATS *and* COMMENT

By MARVIN PALMER

Another international tournament will be held at Baden-Baden next fall.

The next annual meeting of the International Chess Federation will be held at Budapest on July 15 and 16.

An international tournament is now in progress at Dresden, Germany, beginning on April 4. Dr. Alekhine, Niemzowitsch, Rubinstein and L. Steiner, among others, are on the entry list.

The chess teams of Yale and New York universities will decide the intercollegiate chess championship of the United States on May 1. The match will be governed by the rules of the H. Y. P. W. league.

Bell Telephone laboratories of New York defeated the Western Electric chess team of Chicago in their annual match by telegraph, the score being $6\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$. The New York team has now won four matches, Chicago one and two were tied.

Donald H. Mugridge won the 1926 chess championship of the Los Angeles Chess and Checker Club with a score of 10-4. E. P. Elliott, former western champion, and S. Weinbaum were right on his heels with $9\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$, Dr. M. Scholtz being fourth with 9-5.

After four rounds of play in the 1926 Chicago city championship tournament, Samuel D. Factor, Illinois champion and secretary-treasurer of the Western Chess Association, is leading a strong entry list, including Hahlbohm, Elison, Addleman, DeVries, Gordon, Klaasse and Broyde.

A fund is now being raised in the Detroit Chess and Checker Club for a triangular match between J. Winter, L. Stolzenberg and Marvin Palmer.

Game No. 4—English Opening

This game, won by Akiba Rubinstein of Poland, was the only defeat experienced by Rudolph Spielmann of Austria in the recent Semmering tournament.

White—Rubinstein

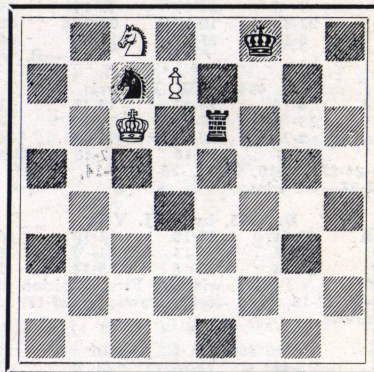
Black—Spielmann

- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| 1 P - Q B 4 | 1 P - Q B 3 |
| 2 P - Q 4 | 2 P - Q 4 |
| 3 P - K 3 | 3 Kt - K B 3 |
| 4 Kt - K B 3 | 4 P - K 3 |
| 5 Q Kt - Q 2 | 5 P - K Kt 3 |
| 6 P - Q Kt 3 | 6 B - R 4 |
| 7 B - K 2 | 7 B - Kt 2 |
| 8 Q - O | 8 O - O |
| 9 Q - B 2 | 9 Q Kt - Q 2 |

CHess PROBLEM No. 8

"The Worrhazenihtur"

Black (3 pieces)



White (3 pieces) to play.

What result and how?

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM No. 7

The position is a win for Black:
 1 R - Kkt6 (best), Kt - Q8; 2 R - B6 ch, K-K7; 3 R-KKt6 (or R-K6ch), K-B8; 4 R-B6ch, Kt-B7; 5 R-KKt6, Kt-Q6; 6 R-B6ch, K-K7; 7 R-KKt6 (or R-K6ch), K-B7; 8 R - B6 ch, Kt - B5; 9 R x Kt ch, K-Kt6; 10 R-B8, P-QKt8ch; 11 KxQ, P-Kt8ch and wins.

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| 10 B - Kt 2 | 10 R - Q 1 |
| 11 P - Q R 3 | 11 Kt - K 1 |
| 12 K R - B 1 | 12 Q - B 2 |
| 13 P - Q Kt 4 | 13 Kt - Kt 3 |
| 14 P - Q R 4 | 14 Kt x B P |
| 15 Kt x Kt | 15 P x Kt |
| 16 Q x B P | 16 B - Q 2 |
| 17 Kt - K 5 | 17 Q R - B 1 |
| 18 P - Kt 5 | 18 Kt - Q 3 |
| 19 Q - Kt 3 | 19 B - K 1 |
| 20 R - B 2 | 20 Kt - B 4 |
| 21 P x P | 21 P x P |
| 22 Q R - Q B 1 | 22 Kt - K 2 |
| 23 B - B 3 | 23 R - Kt 1 |
| 24 Q - R 2 | 24 B x Kt |
| 25 P x B | 25 Kt - Q 4 |
| 26 B x Kt | 26 R x B |
| 27 B - Q 4 | 27 Q - R 4 |
| 28 P - R 3 | 28 Q - R 3 |
| 29 R - B 4 | 29 P - R 4 |
| 30 Q - R 3 | 30 R - Kt 2 |
| 31 P - K 4 | 31 R - Q 1 |
| 32 Q - Q B 3 | 32 Q R - Q 2 |
| 33 Q - K 3 | 33 K - R 2 |
| 34 B - B 5 | 34 R - Q 8 ch |
| 35 K - R 2 | 35 R x R |
| 36 B - B 8 | Resigns |

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